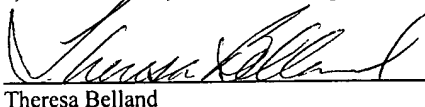


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Richard B. NORTH et al.
Title: Patient Interactive Neurostimulation System and Method

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CONTINUING APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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This is a request for filing a:

☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional

application under 37 CFR 1.53(b), of pending prior Application No. 09/732,759, filed December 11, 2000, for PATIENT INTERACTIVE NEUROSTIMULATION SYSTEM AND METHOD, by inventors Richard Boydston NORTH, Jeffrey Mark SIERACKI, Kim Randal FLOWER, Lon Hodges HOLLAND.
Prior Application Information: Examiner Mark H. Paschall, Group Art Unit: 3742. The entire disclosure of the prior application is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is incorporated herein by reference.

- ☒ Amend the Specification by replacing lines 4-6 on page 1 with: This application is a ☒ continuation ☐ divisional of prior Application No. 09/732,759, filed December 11, 2000, which in turn is a continuation-in-part of Application No. 09/408,129, filed September 29, 1999.
- ☐ Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on ____.
- ☐ Cancel in this application original claims ____ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one of the original independent claims must be retained for filing purposes).

FEE CALCULATION	No. Claims Filed	No. Claims Included in Base Fee	No. Extra Claims	Rate	Fee
Total Claims	19	- 20 =	-0-	x \$18.00	\$ -0-
Independent Claims	1	- 3 =	-0-	x \$84.00	\$ -0-
Multiple Dependent Claims				+ \$280.00	\$ -0-
Basic Filing Fee					\$ 750.00
TOTAL					\$ 750.00

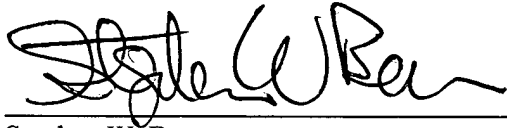
Enclosed for filing in the above-identified application are the following:

- ☒ Application Data Sheet (37 CFR 1.76)
- ☒ Patent Application
 - ☒ Copy of prior specification (Specification (95 pg.), Claims (10 pg.) and Abstract (1 pg.))
 - ☐ Substitute specification including no new matter (Specification (pg.), Claims (pg.) and Abstract (1 pg.))
- ☒ Drawings (29 pg., containing Figs. 1-24): ☒ Formal ☐ Informal
- ☒ Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
 - ☐ Newly Executed
 - ☒ Copy From Prior Application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
 - ☐ **Deletion of Inventor(s)** – signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b))
 - ☒ Incorporation by Reference – *The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied above is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference.*
- ☒ Power of Attorney and Revocation of Previous Power
 - ☐ Newly Executed
 - ☒ Copy From Prior Application
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Assignment
 - ☐ Assignment of the invention to _____, Cover Sheet and Recordal Fee
 - ☐ Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b)
 - ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to: Medtronic, Inc. and recorded at Reel 013678, Frame 0653.
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
 - ☐ PTO-1449
 - ☐ Copies of IDS citations
- ☐ Petition for Extension of Time
 - ☐ Conditional Petition for Extension of Time in the prior application
- ☐ Nonpublication Request Under 35 USC 122(b)(2)(B)(i).
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- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 13-2546 in the amount of \$750.00 for the application filing fee, \$_____ for the assignment recordal fee and \$_____ for the petition fee for a **total of \$750.00**. A duplicate of this Transmittal Letter is enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies which may be required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17, or to credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 13-2546. A duplicate of this Transmittal Letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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